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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed October 10, 2006. A reply was due on November 10, 2006. Applicants request five-month extension of time which makes the reply due on April 10, 2007. Therefore this paper is being filed timely.

Applicants hereby provisionally elect Group V, claims drawn to a composition for delivering a therapeutic agent to a target cell, comprising a microorganism that has on its cell surface an exogenous molecule that binds the target cell and a therapeutic agent wherein the therapeutic agent is a nucleic acid and a method for using said composition in treating neoplasia, for continued examination. Applicants elect the following species: colon cancer cell, and carcinoembryonic antigen (CEA).

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Claims 1-29, 33-61 and 65 read upon the elected Group V and species.

Respectfully submitted,

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